### VARIED PROGRAM FOR BIG MEETING

Interesting Features for Horticulturists, Who Meet Next Week in Lynchburg.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] CROZET, VA., December 28.—The horticulturists of the State will hold their annual convention in the Y. M. C. A. Hall, at Lynchburg, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of nextweek. In connection with this meeting the members of the society will have an exhibition of Virginia apples. Mr. Waiter Whateloy, the secretary of the society, states that the entries made indicate an exhibit of magnificent proportions. To increase the interest and give the members and public generally an object lesson or what they have to contend with in the larger markets, Dr. S. W. Fletcher, the director of the State experiment station at Blacksburg, has secured several varieties of Pacific coast apples from Oregon, Washington and Colorado, thus affording an opportunity of comparison, the result of which no produce of well-grown Virginia apples need fear.

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To show the enthusiasm of some of the members, Mr. Whately says that one grower alone has made sixty-seven different entries, consisting of forty-one different varieties of apples, one of pears, and one of walnuts, all grown in his orchards. Several members have entered ten varieties and upward. The society intends to use some of these apples to advertise Virginia by exhibiting them in Washington, D. C., and New York.

On the first afternoon of the meeting a field demonstration of spraying apparatus will be held in the City Park. Many speakers of national and international prominence will address the members on various topics of interest to horticulturists during the meetings. The meeting will be open to the general public, but only members can take part in the discussions. The present officers of the society are among the most prominent fruit growers in the State, the president being Mr. George E. Murrell, of Bedford county. The vice-presidents are Messrs. H. C. Wysor, of Pulaski county; Judge F. S. Tavenner, of Woodstock; Dr. S. A. Robinson, of Albemarle county, W. A. Robinson, of Albemarle county, Dr. J. R. Guerrant, or Franklin county, and Hon. J. B. Watkins, of Chesterfield county. Professor H. L. Frice, dean of the faculty at Blacksburg, edits the annual report of the society, and the secretary and treasurer is Walter Whately, of Crozet.

Each night session will be devoted Each night session will be devoted to stereoption views illustrating pruning, spraying and other orchard operations, orchard views of Pacific coast orchards and those of Virginia. One stereopticon lecture will be devoted to civic league improvements and shade trees for city planting.

#### CAR INSPECTOR KILLED.

Altis T. Adams Meets Death After Holding New Job One Hour.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
DANVILLE, VA., December 28.-Altis T. Adams, a car inspector on the Southern Railway, was run down yesterday by a Southern Railway shifting engine in the yards here, sustaining injuries from which he died a short time afterwards. Adams, who had for the past several years been employed with the several years been employed with the Danville and Western Railway, started to work Sunday morning at 7 o'clock with the Southern, and had been work-



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## News of Petersburg

business has resumed its natural course, and everything is moving along smoothly here. The ringing of the bells and the blowing of the steam whistles early this morning announced the reopening of the various factories and industrial plants of the city for work. Only the tobacco warehouses are silent, and they will not be respend for sales until the 7th of January. The trade of the year has been exceptionally good, with promises of still better for the coming year.

Held Up and Robbed.

Micham Savuse, a Greek resident, Mrs. Virginia F. Belscher, widow of the hundred last night at her home near Disputanta, in Prince George county. She is survived by one son and two daughters—B. T. Belscher, and two daughters—B. T. Belscher, and wise home near Disputanta, in Prince George county. She is survived by one son and two daughters—B. T. Belscher, and Miss Lottle L. Belscher, of Prince and Miss Lottle L. Belscher, of Prince George county. She is survived by one son and two daughters—B. T. Belscher, and Miss Lottle L. Belscher, of Prince and Miss Lottle L. Belscher, of Prince George county. She is survived by one son and two daughters—B. T. Belscher, and Miss Lottle L. Belscher, of Prince and Miss Lottle L. Belscher, of Prince George county.

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Arrested for Theft.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
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Fiftieth Church Anniversary.

To-day is the fiftieth anniversary of the organization of Market Street M. E. Church. The fact was alluded to yesterday in his sermon by the Rev. J. T. Bosman, the pastor, who gave a brief history of the church and its progress. Among its pastors have been the Rev. Dr. John E. Edwards, by whom it was organized, December 28, 18:35, Bishop J. C. Granbery, Rev. Dr. R. N. Sledd and other shining lights in the Virginia Conference. Dr. Edwards was consended by Mr. A. Mayo, of this city, will leave the selection of Roanoke, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis and was operated on at the Petersburg Hospicton of Roanoke, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicits and was senior deacon; J. Con. After the suddenly ill with appendicits and was specification of Roanoke, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicits and was specification of Roanoke, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicits and was specification of Roanoke, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicits and was specification of Roanoke, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicits and was specification of Roanoke, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicits and was specification of Roanoke, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicits and was specification of Roanoke, who was taken suddenly ill with appendicits and was specification of Roanoke weening ill with appendicits and was specification of Roanoke weening ill with appendicits

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afternoon at Dayton, when Artic Pence, the son of John Pence, accidentally shot and killed his brother, Melvin. The boys, who were aged eighteen and twenty years, were hunting rabbits, when Artie, in attempting to shoot a rabbit, let the full charge go into his brother's body, tearing away three ribs and practiculty disembowelling him, death being instantaneous. A sister of the young men was at a window, and was a witness to the tragedy. She was prostrated, as was the younger by the resulting the killing was purely an accident. y an accident.

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Farmer Lies at Point of Death from injuries Inflicted by Employe.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

HARRISONBURG, VA., December 28.

—As the result of a fight which occurred late Christmas evening, Samuel Fitzwater, a farmer living near Dovesville, this county, lies at the point of death, with but little hope held for his recovery, while his assallant, Harry Riggleman, is locked up in the county Jali awaiting the outcome of the injuries he inflicted upon the man for whom he was working.

The fight was the unshot of a trivial fuss, and Riggleman drew a knife and cut Fitzwater's face, neck and abdomen, making cleven cuts in all. Both men are said to have been drinking. Fitzwater is a married man, about fitty years of age, and is the father of several children. Riggleman is about twenty-two and is unmarried.

Patrolman Dismissed.

[Special to The Times Dispatch 1]

LYNGHBURG, VA., December 28.—
the police board to-slay dismissed Parolman 4. H. Kirby after hearing
harges of intoxication against him,
fo was a member of the dopartment

## MOTION IS MADE

Attorneys Claim That Samuels Was Illegally Debarred as Witness for Himself.

DANVILLE, VA., Dec. 28.—Arguments for a new trial were heard today in the Corporation Court, Judge M. Aiken presiding, in the case of W. Belt Samuels, who was convicted last week of murder in the second degree for killing Sheriff William V. Flannagan, of Draper, N. C., and given eighteen years in the penitentiary. Judge Alken took the motion under ad-

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A new trial is being asked for on the grounds that the defendant, who, at the time of his sentence, was a convicted perjurer under sentence in the Federal courts here, was debarred as a witness in his own behalf. Attornoys for Samuels contended that Samuels was convicted on an indictment improperly returned in the perjury case, and that even if the conviction was legal in the Federal courts this does not bar him as a witness in the State courts.

INSPECTING WATERWAYS.

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NORFOLK, VA., December 28.—For the purpose of inspecting the inland water route now in course of construction near Beaufort, N. C., and which is expected to be one of the chain travering the entire Atlantic coast, a party of distinguished men interested in inland waterways left Norfolk yesterday on the yacht Mercury, atlached to the United States engineer's office at Wilmington, N. C. Those in the party were Congressman J. Hampton Moore, of Philadelphia, president of the Waterways Association; Congressman Small, of North Caroling, Addison B. Burke, of Philadelphia, secretary of the sessociation; Edgar C. Snyder, of Washington, D. C.; Colonel Fred A. Olds, of Raleigh, N. C.; Captain E. I. Brown, United States Engineer's Corps, and Major Joseph E. Kuhn, local United States engineer.

The party expected to reach Beaufort last sight, where the work being done will be inspected. They will return by rail to Norfolk before returning to their respective homes. Congressman Small announced that the work is progressing finely.

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Fined for Contempt.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
DANVILLE, VA., December 28.—Thirty dollars was the price paid in the
Mayor's court to-day by E. E. Haley, Times-Dispatch Bureau,
199 North Sycamore Street,
Petersburg, Va., December 28.

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Lodge Holds Celebration.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

SMITH'S CROSS ROADS, VA., December 23.—The annual celebration of St.

John's Day was held by Mecklenburg

Lodge Ro. 59, A. F. and A. M., in the
hall at this place Saturday. The following officers were elected for the
ensuing year: Charles T. Reekes, worshipful master; B. E. Pulley, senior
warden; Charles T. Reekes, worshipful master; B. E. Pulley, senior
warden; Charles T. Reekes, worshipful master; B. E. Pulley, senior
den; J. S. Montgomery, Jr., secretary;
J. A. Copiey, treasurer; M. A. Copiey,
senior deacon; J. E. Smith, junior deacon. After the election and installation of the above officers the lodge repaired to the banquet hall, where dinner was served to the members and visiting brethren. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Young left this morning to spend a week or ten days with friends in Baltimore.

The children of the primary department of the High Street M. E. Church, of which Mrs. Richard Bagby is in charge, will be given their Christmas tree and entertainment to-morrow afternoon. This is the 'argest Sunday school in the city.

General News.

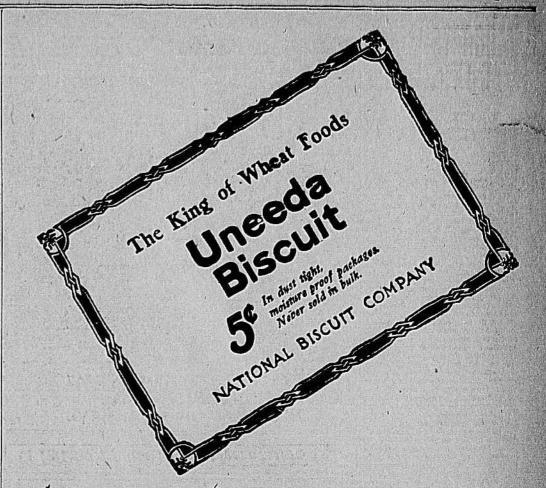
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Norfolk Expects Great Things to Develop Through Inauguration of New Shipping Route.

(Special to The Times-Disnatch ) wegian steamer Texas, Captain Poderof the Norwegian-Mexican Gulf Line, which has made Norfolk a port of stop for passengers and freight, arrived in the port yesterday afternoon, and to-day was the object of great interest among the shipping circles and citizens generally.

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With the coming of the Texas, Norfolk secures her first trans-Atlantic line, with regular monthly calls for freight and passengers. It is expected that in short order the line will develop along both lines, and necessitate more frequent steamers, and the hope is that the company will soon have to establish an exclusive line into

Announces Chuildaey.

[Special to The Thmes-Dispatch.]

LYNCHBURG, VA. December 28.—

Hon. Eugene Ould, of Campbell county, while here to-day, announced his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for the House of Delegates next summer. It is expected that the fight will be a three-cornered one with the incumbent, H. C. Featherstone, and County Chairman Risque Hutter, though the latter gentlemen have not announced themselves yet.

Invited to Exposition Grounds.

NORFOLK, VA., December 28.—Telegrams have been sent to the members of the Congressional Committee on Naval Affairs by Harry L. Maynard, inviting them to come to Norfolk on Thursday for an inspection of the Jamestown Exposition Grounds to see their value and advantage to the Navy Department, as a governmental training and coaling station. Invited to Exposition Grounds

NEGRO CONFESSES.

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ormer North Carolina Judge Take Part in South Boston Fight.

Annual Elks' Treat.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
LYNCHBURG, VA., December 28.—
Three hundred and fifty children and
189 families, representing the poorer
classes of the city, will be the guests
to-morrow and Wednesday of the
Lynchburg Lodge of Elks; to-morrow
for the annual treat for the children,
and Wednesday for the baskets containing provisions costing probably as
much as a dollar each.

The treat to-morrow afternoon will
be the source of great pleasure to the
children who have seen little of the
Christmas spirit, for the Elks have
provided for them one of the best
treats in the history of this work of
this large lodge.

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SOUTH BOSTON, VA., December 28.—Hon. E. W. Robinson, of Goldsboro, former United States District Attorney for Eastern North Carolina and late judge of the Superior Court of that State, delivered a most unique, original and forceful address in advocacy of temperance to a large crowd at Edmunds's Warshouse to-night. Judge Robinson, with keen wit, dealt out sledge-hammer blows for temperance, and his speech was somewhat in the nature of a reply to Hon. Thomas Settle, who spoke here for the "weets" a short time ago.

Colonel Samuel L. Adams introduced the speaker. Governor Glenn, of North Carolina, will speak Tuesday night.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

South of Augusta Pushing Program of Good Highways.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

STAUNTON, VA., December 28.—The county of Augusta to-day ordered the purchase of a big lot of machinery and other equipment for road building, including a rock crusher, with a capacity of about forty tons an hout, twelve wagons, one combined road scraper and of mules and harness, five dumy wagons, one combined road scraper and or hirty-horse power engine and one thirty-horse power engine The county already owns as big road roller and other equipment. It adopted the speaker. Governor Glenn, of North Carolina, will speak Tuesday night.

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Negro Is Stabbed.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
PETERSBURG, VA., December 28.—
Junius Jones, a young negro, seriously, if not fatally, stabbed Thomas Smith on the street to-night. Both negroes are from Chesterfield county, and the stabbing was due to the fact that Smith had testified in a case before a magistrate in which Jones was interested. Smith was taken to the hospital.

Welcome by Pastors.
[Special to The Times Dispatch.]
NORFOLK. VA., December 28.—Rev.
George W. Shope was given a welcome
service yesterday afternoon by the pastors of Norfolk. Dr. A. R. Fristoe presided, and addresses were made by a
number of preachers, Dr. Swope responding.

Woman Disappears.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BUCKINGHAM, VA., December 28.—
Ellen Staten, an aged woman living at
the Poorhouse Farm, left that place
the day of the blinding snowstorm, and
has not yet returned, and it is thought
that she lost her way and perished in
a snow drift. Every effort has been
made to find her for days, and the snow
has been removed in the drifts along
the route.

The predominating features.

Hears of Brother's Death,
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
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It was deprived in the North Carolina
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